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SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC)

REF: (A) STATE 19757, (B) MANILA 2748, (C) BANGKOK 7250

1. REF B ADVISED THAT SECRETARY TANCO KNEW BERNARD BELL, WHOM WE HAD SUGGESTED (REF A) AS POSSIBLE REPLACEMENT FOR CURRENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WORLD FOOD COUNCIL, AND WAS IMPRESSED WITH HIS BACKGROUND AND ABILITY. WE HAD EXPECTED SECRETARY TANCO WOULD CONTACT USDA ASSISTANT SECRETARY HATHAWAY TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER. SCHEDULES OF BOTH PARTIES HAVE PREVENTED THIS DISCUSSION.

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2. REF C NOT SENT MANILA REPORTS TANCO INFORMED WFC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR THAT (A) BE STRONGLY FAVORED RETAINING A U.S. NATIONAL IN THIS POST AND (B) PREFERRED MAURICE WILLIAMS AS HIS FIRST CHOICE. WHILE U.S. REGARDS BOTH BELL AND WILLIAMS AS GOOD CHOICES, WE HAVE DEFERRED PUTTING EITHER OF THESE PERSONS OR OTHER WELL EXPERIENCED PERSONS FORWARD PENDING ADDITIONAL WORD FROM TANCO ON

BELL, WHOM HE APPEARED READY TO ENDORSE.

3. AGRICULTURE ATTACHE IS REQUESTED CONTACT TANCO ON PRIORITY BASIS. WE WANT, IF POSSIBLE, TO SUPPORT CANDIDATE OF HIS CHOICE FOR THIS POST, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING HIS CURRENT VIEWS REGARDING BOTH BELL AND WILLIAMS AND KNOWING IF HE INTENDS RAISE ISSUE WITH SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM AND WHEN.

4. PLEASE SLUG RESPONSE IO/EX/IR ONLY AND SEND IMMEDIATE. VANCE

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